



TWENTY VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

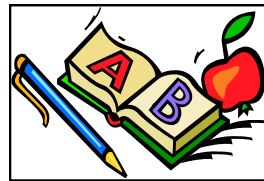
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S. De Divitiis, Principal J. Clarke, Vice Principal

Looking forward to an incredible school year!

Welcome back to our returning Twenty Valley Titans from what I hope was an amazing summer! To our new families, we look forward to meeting you and welcome you to our Twenty Valley School Community. We encourage you to become involved in the school as attentive parents, as parent volunteers and as active supporters of our incredible school!



There is nothing quite like the enthusiasm of the first days of school. Teachers, students and of course, parents are eager to resume the rhythms and patterns of life outside of summer. This enthusiasm is a great thing and adds a renewed sense of energy, making it a great opportunity to set new goals, establish good work habits and instilling the importance of always striving to be the best that we can be: at school, at home and in our community.

I feel truly honoured to be your new Principal and to be a part of this amazing school community! My door is always open. Please feel free to pop by the office to introduce yourself and your family! I look forward to working with you to ensure your child has a safe, positive and rewarding school experience each and everyday.

Sadly, our new Vice-Principal, Mr. Clarke, will not be starting the school year with us. Over the summer, he experienced the tragic loss of his son. Our thoughts and prayers go to Mr. Clarke and his family. Until his return to work, Ms. Kleniewski will be taking on the acting role of Vice Principal.

Our caretakers worked hard to ensure our building was ready for our return and our secretaries spent the last week greeting new families and preparing our school for the year ahead. Our energized teachers and support staff have been busy planning and preparing for another fabulous year of learning!

Welcome to our new and returning staff members. You will find the staff and their classes listed on our school website.

Please feel free to contact myself if you have any questions or concerns. The Twenty Valley Staff is committed to ensuring that all students have the best educational experience possible. Go Titans!

Sincerely,

Mrs. De Divitiis, Principal

"The principal goal of education is to create individuals who are capable of doing new things not simply of repeating what other generations have done."

Jean Piaget

Included in this Package:

- Student Verification Form (please update with changes and return ASAP)
- Acceptable Use Agreement for Students Using Information and Communication Technologies
- Nutrition Break Arrangements Form
- Email Permission Form
- School Year & Monthly Calendar
- Bell Times
- Insurance
- Permission to Participate Form
- Volunteer Form

◆ **PARENTS & VISITORS ARE REMINDED TO SIGN IN AT THE OFFICE AND WEAR A VISITOR BADGE**

◆ **PLEASE MAKE THE OFFICE AWARE OF ANY ALLERGIES YOUR CHILD MAY HAVE, COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE FORM AND RETURN IT TO THE OFFICE**

◆ **ALL STUDENT MEDICATIONS ARE TO BE KEPT AT THE OFFICE**

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SAFE SCHOOL POLICY & DOOR MONITORING SYSTEM

In order to maintain a safe school environment for our students, and also to reduce the number of disruptions in the classroom while learning is going on, we ask parents, guardians and visitors coming into the school to comply with our safe entry procedure.

We continue to have a door monitoring system. In order to enter the school, parents/guardians will need to press the button on the outside pillar by the front door. From her desk, the secretary may ask you to identify yourself and then she will unlock the door and you are asked to go to the office first to sign in. If needed, she will inform the teacher and/or direct visitors to the appropriate classroom. Parents/guardians delivering lunches or other items are asked to leave them at the office; the secretary will page the student to come and collect the items. When picking up children for appointments, parents/guardians are asked to come to the office and the secretary will page the child to come and meet them.

Parents/guardians, volunteers or visitors are asked not to wander throughout the school without first signing in at the office. While we make a great effort to be aware of everyone who is in the school, it is difficult for the staff to recognize everyone.

Thank you all for helping to keep Twenty Valley School safe for our students!

Please Mark Your Calendars!

There will be an Early Release Day for students on Friday, September 15th. Students will be dismissed at 11:50 a.m. Bus transportation continues to be provided on this day.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students who wish to use these device on their walk/bus ride to and from school will be asked to store them in their lockers upon arriving at school. The school does not take any responsibility if these items are lost, damaged or stolen.

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PARENT COUNCIL

We invite you to be an active member in our Parent School Council. Our first meeting is on Monday, September 11th at 6:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

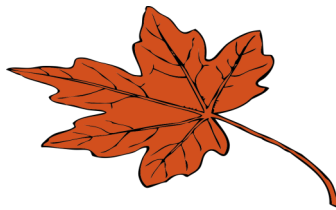
Our annual ARTfest is coming on Thanksgiving weekend!

We are looking for volunteers!

Please mark your calendars and consider volunteering at this year's ARTfest.

We are in great need of many volunteers. If you could lend a hand for a few hours to support our school and this amazing event, it would be greatly appreciated! This is Twenty Valley School's fundraising event and greatly benefits our Twenty Valley students!

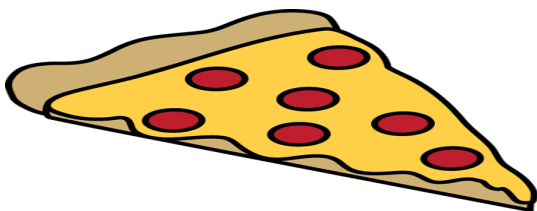
WE HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!



PIZZA & MILK

Keep an eye out for milk and pizza orders. They will be posted next week.

Pizza and milk will begin the week of Monday, October 2nd.



Remind App

Download the Twenty Valley School Remind App!

From your school nurse

Did you know that every elementary and secondary school in Niagara has a school nurse?

The school nurse provides teachers, parents and students support and resources on health related topics, including:

- Healthy eating
- Physical activity
- Tobacco use prevention
- Parenting
- Mental and emotional health
- Puberty and sexual health
- Drugs and alcohol

To learn more about the school nurse call 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7379 or visit www.niagararegion.ca search school nurse



The External Athletic Web Site

If your child is involved in any of the District Athletic Competitions or if you wish to find out any information on Area or District Athletic activities by following these steps you will be kept up to date .

Simply go to the District School Board of Niagara external web site

1. Press the icon that says parent
2. Scroll down until you see Athletics.....press that icon
3. You will now see 2 choices A... Elementary B...Secondary
4. Press the Elementary icon
5. You will now have reached all information relating to elementary interschool athletics and may go into any desired area to obtain needed information.....

“Save Our Subscriptions”

We will be running our annual magazine subscription campaign again this year, beginning September 18th and would appreciate your continued support. Though there are other companies (and publishers) that may be asking for your new and renewal magazine orders, it would be very much appreciated if you waited for our campaign so the students can take your order. A large portion of the funds stays here in our community (37%). Thank you in advance for “saving” your magazine orders and helping make our future campaign a great success.

Money raised goes towards subsidizing bussing costs, various trips and special programs throughout the year.

NEW ROAD RULES IN EFFECT!

A REMINDER TO ALL DRIVERS AND CYCLISTS!

As of January 2016, all motorists must stop and yield the whole roadway at:

- Pedestrian crossovers,
- School Crossings where there is a guard displaying a school crossing stop sign.

Motorists can **NO** longer turn left, right or proceed through a crosswalk on the clear half of the roadway.

You now **MUST** wait until the entire crosswalk is empty of both pedestrians and the School Crossing Guard.



Stop, when you approach a School Crossing Location

Take notice of whether there is a guard on duty

Obey the Highway Traffic Act and wait for guard to completely exit the crosswalk

Proceed with caution

THIS REMINDER IS BROUGHT TO YOU ON BEHALF OF THE PARTNERSHIP OF SCHOOL CROSSING PROGRAMS ACROSS THE NIAGARA REGION

